

To the Members of the California State Senate:

I am returning Senate Bill 560 without my signature.

I am very excited about the reinvigoration of career technical education (CTE) in the schools, and I have devoted \$100 million this year to programs and projects that promote the upgrading of facilities and equipment and the creation and expansion of programs that articulate and sequence to postsecondary and certificate programs. Additionally, my proposal to infuse CTE with an additional \$500 million in bond funds so that our state can create the infrastructure to support our expansion of CTE programs, will go to the voters for approval this November.

However, this bill is premature. The activities required by the bill apply only if bond is adopted after January 1, 2007 and if the information is required as a condition of receiving those bond funds. If the Legislature wants to require applicants to provide specified information as a condition of receiving bond funds, those provisions should be included as part of the next school bond measure that it approves.

For this reason, I am unable to sign this bill.

Sincerely,

Arnold Schwarzenegger